

HATCHERY PRODUCTION



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Hatcheries produced 267 million chicks during February, 3 percent above a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The February broiler-type hatch of 227 million was up 3 percent from a year earlier. The January-February total broiler-type hatch was up 3 percent from the same period in 1968. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on March 1 were 7 percent above March 1, 1968. The revised hatch of broiler-type chicks during 1968 totaled 2,799 million compared with 2,759 million during 1967.

Egg-type chicks hatched during February at 40 million were up 3 percent from a year earlier. The North Central was up 2 percent, the South Atlantic up 16 percent and the West up 3 percent. The North Atlantic was down 2 percent and the South Central was down 4 percent. Hatch for the first 2 months of 1969 totaled 77 million, up 7 percent from the same months a year earlier. Egg-type eggs in incubators on March 1 were 3 percent below a year ago. The revised number of egg-type chicks hatched in 1968 totaled 514 million, 4 percent under 1967.

POULT PRODUCTION

Production of all breeds during February totaled 10,054,000 poults, up 13 percent from a year earlier. Heavy breed hatch at 9,429,000 was up 14 percent, while light breed hatch at 625,000 was down 8 percent. Total hatch during the first 2 months of 1969 was 15,978,000, 14 percent above the same period in 1968. The number of turkey eggs in incubators on March 1 was up 1 percent from a year earlier. The revised 1968 annual poult hatch for all breeds was 114,115,000 poults, 18 percent below the record hatch of 1967.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries, United States

Month	By months				Cumulative			
	1967	1968 1/2	1969	Change from last year	1967	1968 1/2	1969	Change from last year
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thou. Pct.
<u>Broiler-type:</u>								
January	225,260	229,825	235,228	+ 2	225,260	229,825	235,228	+15,403 + 2
February	217,590	219,533	227,083	+ 3	442,850	449,358	462,311	+12,953 + 3
March	256,135	246,689			698,985	696,047		
April	250,348	247,704			949,333	943,751		
May	257,042	260,926			1,206,375	1,204,677		
June	244,971	250,278			1,451,346	1,454,955		
July	241,078	244,151			1,692,424	1,699,106		
August	232,283	232,422			1,924,707	1,931,528		
September	201,668	203,422			2,126,375	2,134,950		
October	205,637	214,767			2,332,012	2,349,717		
November	211,342	221,578			2,543,354	2,571,295		
December	215,188	227,794			2,758,542	2,799,089		
<u>Egg-type</u>								
January	39,761	33,517	37,708	+13	39,761	33,517	37,708	+ 4,191 +13
February	46,315	38,590	39,706	+ 3	86,076	72,107	77,414	+ 5,307 + 7
March	66,132	53,759			152,208	125,866		
April	74,418	62,300			226,626	188,166		
May	68,073	59,352			294,699	247,518		
June	47,929	44,998			342,628	292,516		
July	34,040	37,067			376,668	329,583		
August	36,011	37,123			412,679	366,706		
September	34,603	37,489			447,282	404,195		
October	32,878	40,374			480,160	444,569		
November	27,681	35,753			507,841	480,322		
December	26,977	33,979			534,818	514,301		
<u>Total Chicks:</u>								
January	265,021	263,342	272,936	+ 4	265,021	263,342	272,936	+ 9,594 + 4
February	263,905	258,123	266,789	+ 3	528,926	521,465	539,725	+18,260 + 4
March	322,267	300,448			851,193	821,913		
April	324,766	310,004			1,175,959	1,131,917		
May	325,115	320,278			1,501,074	1,452,195		
June	292,900	295,276			1,793,974	1,747,471		
July	275,118	281,218			2,069,092	2,028,689		
August	268,294	269,545			2,337,386	2,298,234		
September	236,271	240,911			2,573,657	2,539,145		
October	238,515	255,141			2,812,172	2,794,286		
November	239,023	257,331			3,051,195	3,051,617		
December	242,165	261,773			3,293,360	3,313,390		

^{1/} Revised.

Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

State	By months				Cumulative				
	1967	1968 2/	1969	Change from last year	1967	1968	1969	Change from last year	
	- - Thousands - -			Percent	- - Thousands - -			Thou. Pct.	
Heavy breeds 1/									
January	7,396	4,250	5,230	+23	7,396	4,250	5,230	+ 980 +23	
February	13,028	8,242	9,429	+14	20,424	12,492	14,659	+2,167 +17	
March	21,791	16,900			42,215	29,392			
April	22,119	19,086			64,334	48,478			
May	22,515	19,994			86,849	68,472			
June	17,675	15,802			104,524	84,274			
July	8,423	8,045			112,947	92,319			
August	2,194	1,889			115,141	94,208			
September	1,232	1,057			116,373	95,265			
October	1,515	1,235			117,888	96,500			
November	1,860	1,455			119,748	97,955			
December	2,462	2,294			122,210	100,249			
Light breeds 1/									
January	1,056	791	694	-12	1,056	791	694	- 97 -12	
February	990	678	625	- 8	2,046	1,469	1,319	- 150 -10	
March	1,073	881			3,119	2,350			
April	1,035	1,170			4,154	3,520			
May	1,349	1,256			5,503	4,776			
June	1,977	1,876			7,480	6,652			
July	2,482	2,168			9,962	8,820			
August	2,340	1,604			12,302	10,424			
September	1,176	1,013			13,478	11,437			
October	1,108	1,022			14,586	12,459			
November	889	797			15,475	13,256			
December	879	610			16,354	13,866			
Total all breeds									
January	8,452	5,041	5,924	+18	8,452	5,041	5,924	+ 883 +18	
February	14,018	8,920	10,054	+13	22,470	13,961	15,978	+2,017 +14	
March	22,864	17,781			45,334	31,742			
April	23,154	20,256			68,488	51,998			
May	23,864	21,250			92,352	73,248			
June	19,652	17,678			112,004	90,926			
July	10,905	10,213			122,909	101,139			
August	4,534	3,493			127,443	104,632			
September	2,408	2,070			129,851	106,702			
October	2,623	2,257			132,474	108,959			
November	2,749	2,252			135,223	111,211			
December	3,341	2,904			138,564	114,115			

1/ Heavy breeds include Broad white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, crosses between heavy and light breeds, bronze and other heavy breeds. Light breeds include Beltsville, Jersey Buff, and wild turkeys.

2/ Revised.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Broiler-type				Egg-type	
	February		January through February		February	
	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969
	T h o u s a n d s					
Maine	5,743	5,663	11,918	11,469	495	386
N. H. & Vt. 1/	571	561	1,081	1,153	152	133
Mass. & R. I. 2/	557	629	1,239	1,303	917	766
Conn.	969	663	1,967	1,469	416	305
N. Y.	3/	3/	3/	3/	1,420	1,770
N. J.	3/	3/	3/	3/	187	110
Pa.	4,853	5,508	9,817	10,318	1,946	1,967
N. A.	3/ 12,821	3/12,681	3/26,246	3/25,936	5,533	5,437
Ohio	565	700	935	1,200	1,325	1,200
Ind.	1,448	1,547	2,861	3,159	2,370	2,257
Ill.	8	24	9	30	1,518	1,509
Mich.	5/	5/	5/	5/	580	700
Wis.	1,177	1,160	2,305	2,365	605	375
Minn.	766	752	1,569	1,586	999	982
Iowa	5/	5/	5/	5/	1,200	1,440
Mo.	974	721	2,007	1,505	640	935
N. Dak.	5/	5/	5/	5/	17	20
S. Dak.	5/	5/	5/	5/	201	186
Nebr.	63	47	75	58	431	416
Kans.	44	22	44	22	439	500
N. C.	5/ 5,266	5/5,116	5/10,177	5/10,144	10,325	10,520
Del.	7,882	8,750	16,437	17,354	6/	6/
Md.	15,580	15,890	32,048	32,280	6/	6/
Va.	4,926	5,168	10,160	10,461	354	209
W. Va.	319	134	692	264	6/	6/
N. C.	22,378	24,055	45,854	47,662	742	829
S. C.	1,427	1,645	2,798	3,439	686	391
Ga.	39,574	38,368	80,993	78,688	2,526	3,171
Fla.	3,525	3,815	7,133	7,530	2,841	3,750
S. A.	95,611	97,825	196,115	197,678	6/7,251	6/8,443
Ky.	7/	7/	7/	7/	266	287
Tenn.	2,397	2,354	4,946	5,151	751	861
Ala.	28,196	30,158	58,018	61,596	1,108	967
Miss.	15,793	16,096	32,499	32,936	1,298	1,440
Ark.	32,193	35,602	65,861	73,069	1,972	1,549
La.	3,403	3,128	7,124	6,452	331	331
Okla.	7/	7/	7/	7/	210	354
Texas	14,151	13,644	28,756	27,964	2,364	2,152
S. C.	7/96,556	7/101,284	7/197,879	7/207,804	8,300	7,941
Colo.	15	19	21	25	65	235
Utah	93	138	225	216	49	102
Wash.	1,876	1,615	3,708	3,447	707	766
Oreg.	1,252	1,314	2,543	2,514	194	187
Calif.	5,466	6,422	11,307	13,284	5,718	5,641
West. 8/	9,279	10,177	18,941	20,749	7,181	7,365
U. S.	219,533	227,083	449,358	462,311	38,590	39,706

1/ Massachusetts and Rhode Island combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

2/ New Hampshire and Vermont combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

3/ North Atlantic total includes New York and New Jersey to avoid disclosing individual operations.

4/ North Central total includes Michigan, North and South Dakota to avoid disclosing individual operations.

5/ North Central total includes Michigan, Iowa, North and South Dakota to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Egg-type		Total				
	Jan. through Feb.		February		Jan. through Feb.		
	1968	1969	1967	1968	1969	1968	1969
	- - - Thousands - - -						
Maine	916	753	6,917	6,238	6,049	12,834	12,222
N. H. & Vt. 1/	360	218	843	723	694	1,441	1,371
Mass. & R.I. 2/	1,430	1,666	1,410	1,474	1,395	2,669	2,969
Conn.	780	640	1,343	1,385	968	2,747	2,109
N. Y.	2,970	3,480	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
N. J.	485	178	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
Pa.	3,461	3,685	6,845	6,799	7,025	13,278	14,003
N. A.	10,402	10,620	3/20,129	3/18,354	3/18,118	3/36,648	3/36,556
Ohio	2,465	2,350	2,300	1,890	1,900	3,400	3,550
Ind.	4,579	4,940	4,607	3,818	3,804	7,440	8,099
Ill.	2,617	2,827	1,570	1,526	1,533	2,626	2,857
Mich.	1,210	1,450	4/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Wis.	916	765	1,566	1,782	1,535	3,221	3,130
Minn.	1,946	2,207	1,958	1,765	1,734	3,515	3,793
Iowa	2,420	2,690	1,680	5/	5/	5/	5/
Mo.	1,060	1,680	3,187	1,614	1,656	3,067	3,185
N. Dak.	17	20	4/	5/	5/	5/	5/
S. Dak.	337	290	4/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Nebr.	737	902	711	494	463	812	960
Kans.	805	665	547	483	522	849	687
N. C.	19,109	20,786	4/19,696	5/15,591	5/15,636	5/29,286	5/30,930
Va.	666	478	5,242	5,280	5,377	10,826	10,939
N. C.	1,356	1,512	22,816	23,120	24,884	47,210	49,174
S. C.	971	989	2,290	2,113	2,036	3,769	4,428
Ga.	4,935	5,776	44,292	42,100	41,539	85,928	84,464
Fla.	5,358	7,278	5,864	6,366	7,565	12,491	14,808
S. A. 6/	13,486	16,195	104,260	102,862	106,268	209,601	213,873
Ky.	454	602	7/	7/	7/	7/	7/
Tenn.	1,276	1,667	4,018	3,148	3,215	6,222	6,818
Ala.	2,026	1,723	27,851	29,304	31,125	60,044	63,319
Miss.	2,479	2,926	16,098	17,091	17,536	34,978	35,862
Ark.	3,844	3,112	32,823	34,165	37,151	69,705	76,181
La.	547	633	3,703	3,734	3,459	7,671	7,085
Okla.	334	474	7/	7/	7/	7/	7/
Texas	3,941	4,130	16,108	16,515	15,796	32,697	32,094
S. C.	14,901	15,267	7/101,927	7/104,856	7/109,225	7/212,780	7/223,071
Colo.	218	415	180	80	254	239	440
Utah	184	210	253	142	240	409	426
Wash.	1,506	1,470	3,055	2,583	2,381	5,214	4,917
Oreg.	361	339	1,445	1,446	1,501	2,904	2,853
Calif.	11,107	11,206	11,896	11,184	12,063	22,414	24,490
West. 8/	14,209	14,546	17,893	16,460	17,542	33,150	35,295
U. S.	72,107	77,414	263,905	258,123	266,789	521,465	539,725

6/ South Atlantic total includes Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia to avoid disclosing individual operations.

7/ South Central total includes Kentucky and Oklahoma to avoid disclosing individual operations.

8/ West total includes Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, and Hawaii to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Chicken eggs in incubators March 1, 1969

Geographic division	As percent of March 1, 1968		
	Broiler-type	Egg-type	Total eggs
North Atlantic	101	94	99
East North Central	105	99	101
West North Central	78	99	94
South Atlantic	107	110	107
South Central	109	84	107
West	105	97	101
United States	107	97	105

Poult hatchings and turkey eggs in incubators

Geographic division	Total breeds 1/					
	Heavy breeds		Light breeds		All breeds	
	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969
<u>Poults hatched during February</u>						
North Atlantic	83	122	1	0	84	122
East North Central	595	509	50	63	645	572
West North Central	3,097	3,503	346	279	3,443	3,782
South Atlantic	983	1,390	190	190	1,173	1,580
South Central	1,377	1,455	9	0	1,386	1,455
West	2,107	2,450	82	93	2,189	2,543
United States	8,242	9,429	678	625	8,920	10,054
<u>Turkey eggs in incubators March 1</u>						
North Atlantic	221	199	27	6	248	205
East North Central	3,111	3,137	87	88	3,198	3,225
West North Central	9,328	9,239	552	506	9,880	9,745
South Atlantic	2,811	3,119	376	452	3,187	3,571
South Central	3,651	3,591	36	1	3,687	3,592
West	5,492	5,537	192	153	5,684	5,690
United States	24,614	24,822	1,270	1,206	25,884	26,028
March 1, 1969 as percent of Mar. 1, 1968:						
United States	101		95		101	

1/ Heavy breeds include Broad white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, crosses between heavy and light breeds, bronze and other heavy breeds. Light breeds include Beltsville, Jersey Buff, and wild turkeys.

Turkey poults hatched by States, 1968

State and division	Heavy breeds	Light breeds	Total all breeds
	<u>T h o u s a n d s</u>		
N. Eng. 1/	230	26	256
N. Y.	259	0	259
N. J.	169	0	169
Pa.	1,226	300	1,526
N. Atl.	1,884	326	2,210
Ohio	3,968	150	4,118
Ind.	2,180	7	2,187
Ill.	613	0	613
Mich.	---	---	2/ 3,024
Wis.	---	---	2/ 3,018
E. N. C.	12,352	608	12,960
Minn.	13,661	7,267	20,928
Iowa	---	---	2/ 6,905
Mo.	---	---	2/ 9,268
N. Dak. & S. Dak. 1/	---	---	2/ 606
Nebr.	746	0	746
Kans.	---	---	2/ 1,064
W. N. C.	31,735	7,782	39,517
Del., Md., W. Va. 1/	707	0	707
Va.	2,464	2,427	4,891
N. C.	8,637	686	9,323
S. C.	1,046	0	1,046
Ga.	---	---	2/ 1,505
Fla.	---	---	2/ 231
S. Atl.	14,262	3,441	17,703
Ky., Ala., & Miss. 1/	---	---	2/ 1,036
Tenn.	0	0	0
Ark.	3,440	197	3,637
La.	0	0	0
Okla.	1,923	79	2,002
Texas	---	---	2/ 8,323
S. C.	14,593	405	14,998
Mont.	0	0	0
Idaho & Ariz. 1/	79	0	59
Wyo.	0	0	0
Colo.	---	---	2/ 2,503
N. Mex.	0	0	0
Utah	3,046	0	3,046
Nev.	0	0	0
Wash.	252	177	429
Oreg.	---	---	2/ 3,069
Calif.	17,097	524	17,621
West.	25,423	1,304	26,727
48 States	100,249	13,866	114,115

1/ States combined in order to avoid disclosing individual operations.

2/ Heavy and light breeds combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Broiler-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries 1968

State and division	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
	- - - T h o u s a n d s - - -						
Maine	6,175	5,743	6,769	6,967	7,107	6,711	6,582
N. H. & Vt. 1/	510	571	582	549	560	448	472
Mass. & R. I. 2/	682	557	750	798	844	775	804
Conn.	998	969	1,111	1,148	1,197	1,334	1,247
Pa.	4,964	4,853	5,341	5,369	5,669	5,482	5,393
N. A. 3/	13,425	12,821	14,665	14,929	15,512	14,847	14,573
Ohio	370	565	530	510	650	660	645
Ind.	1,413	1,448	1,730	2,070	2,413	2,419	2,418
Ill.	1	8	30	44	42	26	16
Wis.	1,128	1,177	1,210	1,477	1,554	1,314	1,303
Minn.	803	766	935	1,283	1,363	1,028	804
Mo.	1,033	974	1,193	1,270	1,410	1,438	1,147
Nebr.	12	63	283	548	452	227	61
Kans.	0	44	124	246	198	24	3
N. C. 4/	4,911	5,266	6,553	8,490	9,223	7,880	6,654
Del.	8,555	7,882	8,552	8,597	9,159	8,873	8,634
Md.	16,468	15,580	16,716	16,321	17,341	16,587	16,746
Va.	5,234	4,926	5,664	5,701	6,030	6,115	5,746
W. Va.	373	319	349	378	321	382	349
N. C.	23,476	22,378	25,534	26,049	27,339	26,517	26,373
S. C.	1,371	1,427	1,703	1,711	1,765	1,898	1,741
Ga.	41,419	39,574	43,990	43,521	45,375	43,902	43,443
Fla.	3,608	3,525	3,739	3,930	4,112	4,052	4,169
S. A.	100,504	95,611	106,247	106,208	111,442	108,326	107,201
Tenn.	2,549	2,397	2,653	2,618	2,816	2,804	2,728
Ala.	29,822	28,196	30,843	30,563	32,140	30,992	30,863
Miss.	16,706	15,793	17,659	17,836	18,824	17,550	17,617
Ark.	33,668	32,193	37,089	36,817	38,641	37,173	35,996
La.	3,721	3,403	4,065	3,995	4,006	3,897	3,349
Texas	14,605	14,151	15,372	14,690	16,342	15,209	14,273
S. C. 5/	101,323	96,556	108,192	107,027	113,329	108,119	105,262
Colo.	6	15	37	48	36	13	5
Utah	132	93	115	197	135	157	134
Wash.	1,832	1,876	2,327	2,114	2,083	2,243	1,901
Oreg.	1,291	1,252	1,312	1,370	1,401	1,429	1,248
Calif.	5,841	5,466	6,666	6,662	7,096	6,598	6,565
West. 6/	9,662	9,279	11,032	11,050	11,420	11,106	10,461
U. S.	229,825	219,533	246,689	247,704	260,926	250,278	244,151

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Broiler-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries 1968

State and division	August	September	October	November	December	Total
	- - - T h o u s a n d s - - -					
Maine	6,391	5,071	5,706	5,771	5,770	74,763
N. H. & Vt. 1/	417	383	422	430	472	5,816
Mass. & R. I. 2/	798	668	676	624	649	8,625
Conn.	1,031	845	750	629	677	11,936
Pa.	5,382	4,976	5,071	5,300	5,076	62,876
N. A. 3/	14,095	12,007	12,677	12,815	12,719	165,085
Ohio	625	500	510	405	250	6,220
Ind.	2,439	1,962	2,067	1,791	1,562	23,732
Ill.	4	1	0	0	0	172
Wis.	1,193	1,035	948	1,112	1,193	14,644
Minn.	747	834	772	713	797	10,845
Mo.	1,037	786	869	797	782	12,736
Nebr.	17	17	6	2	0	1,688
Kans.	6	1	1	0	0	647
N. C. 4/	6,258	5,266	5,294	4,930	4,654	75,379
Del.	7,851	6,396	6,854	7,913	8,145	97,411
Md.	16,436	14,109	15,400	16,475	16,626	194,805
Va.	5,722	4,910	5,113	5,480	5,271	65,912
W. Va.	128	81	116	79	101	2,976
N. C.	24,267	20,038	21,702	21,584	21,682	286,939
S. C.	1,610	1,268	1,451	1,393	1,673	19,011
Ga.	40,771	35,834	37,203	38,873	40,603	494,508
Fla.	3,862	3,387	3,685	3,681	3,806	45,556
S. A.	100,647	86,023	91,524	95,478	97,907	1,207,118
Tenn.	2,530	2,414	2,677	2,831	2,972	31,989
Ala.	29,483	25,893	27,947	28,923	30,072	355,737
Miss.	17,497	15,599	16,242	16,127	16,433	203,883
Ark.	34,079	31,980	32,474	33,157	35,134	418,401
Ia.	3,525	3,225	3,269	3,403	3,429	43,287
Texas	13,677	12,329	13,553	13,976	14,032	172,209
S. C. 5/	101,174	91,628	96,342	98,617	102,385	1,229,954
Colo.	3	4	4	2	3	176
Utah	132	96	82	71	57	1,401
Wash.	1,927	1,616	1,610	1,770	1,552	22,851
Oreg.	1,201	942	1,074	1,095	1,082	14,697
Calif.	6,354	5,269	5,763	6,290	6,810	75,380
West. 6/	10,248	8,498	8,930	9,738	10,129	121,553
U. S.	232,422	203,422	214,767	221,578	227,794	2,799,089

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Egg-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries 1968

State and division	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
	T h o u s a n d s						
Maine	421	495	733	606	704	670	491
N. H. & Vt. 1/	208	152	332	264	327	194	141
Mass. & R. I. 2/	513	917	904	1,000	889	650	526
Conn.	364	416	473	490	549	433	317
N. Y.	1,550	1,420	1,670	1,860	2,120	1,740	1,580
N. J.	298	187	440	498	491	189	165
Pa.	1,515	1,946	2,583	2,704	2,819	2,176	1,725
N. A.	4,869	5,533	7,135	7,422	7,899	6,052	4,945
Ohio	1,140	1,325	1,555	2,015	2,480	1,930	1,585
Ind.	2,209	2,370	3,507	3,408	3,525	2,901	2,950
Ill.	1,099	1,518	2,102	2,997	2,906	2,072	1,270
Mich.	630	580	690	840	860	780	550
Wis.	311	605	814	1,012	891	509	307
E. N. C.	5,389	6,398	8,668	10,272	10,662	8,192	6,662
Minn.	947	999	2,044	3,992	3,191	1,537	1,104
Iowa	1,220	1,200	1,620	3,650	3,550	2,060	1,350
Mo.	420	640	2,008	2,715	2,600	1,656	1,021
N. Dak.	0	17	138	459	417	116	0
S. Dak.	136	201	633	1,821	1,611	638	167
Nebr.	306	431	1,103	1,813	1,483	1,264	222
Kans.	366	439	818	978	988	336	317
W. N. C.	3,395	3,927	9,364	15,428	13,840	7,607	4,181
Va.	312	354	801	762	492	315	148
N. C.	614	742	1,364	1,292	1,093	921	743
S. C.	285	686	744	947	1,006	591	491
Ga.	2,409	2,526	3,607	3,992	3,484	3,209	3,080
Fla.	2,517	2,841	3,017	3,266	3,747	3,119	3,040
S. A. 3/	6,235	7,251	9,827	10,614	10,030	8,324	7,594
Ky.	188	266	423	529	477	258	194
Tenn.	525	751	1,108	1,297	1,463	733	649
Ala.	918	1,108	1,739	1,566	1,303	1,021	946
Miss.	1,181	1,298	1,650	1,578	1,310	1,233	1,004
Ark.	1,872	1,972	2,165	2,153	1,658	1,442	1,477
La.	216	331	478	228	395	245	169
Okla.	124	210	496	594	386	147	216
Texas	1,577	2,364	2,938	2,909	2,083	2,201	2,003
S. C.	6,601	8,300	10,997	10,854	9,074	7,280	6,658
Colo.	153	65	238	235	224	155	130
Utah	135	49	239	300	195	123	92
Wash.	799	707	949	1,070	896	752	502
Oreg.	167	194	333	387	515	399	130
Calif.	5,389	5,718	6,377	5,016	5,340	5,656	5,732
West. 4/	7,028	7,181	8,768	7,710	7,847	7,543	7,027
U. S.	33,517	38,590	53,759	62,300	59,352	44,998	37,067

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Egg-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries 1968

State and division	August	September	October	November	December	Total
	T h o u s a n d s					
Maine	467	452	360	276	385	6,060
N. H. & Vt. <u>1/</u>	117	111	97	93	165	2,201
Mass. & R. I. <u>2/</u>	425	474	792	695	637	8,422
Conn.	271	165	187	353	214	4,232
N. Y.	1,790	1,540	1,540	1,520	1,680	20,010
N. J.	272	437	203	216	57	3,453
Pa.	1,764	1,929	1,775	1,782	1,706	24,424
N. A.	5,106	5,108	4,954	4,935	4,844	68,802
Ohio	1,410	1,150	1,650	1,095	950	18,285
Ind.	2,865	2,616	2,697	2,367	2,220	33,635
Ill.	1,448	1,346	1,283	1,427	1,395	20,863
Mich.	640	690	710	630	710	8,310
Wis.	407	305	486	359	386	6,392
E. N. C.	6,770	6,107	6,826	5,878	5,661	87,485
Minn.	962	789	978	968	809	18,320
Iowa	1,000	970	960	850	720	19,150
Mo.	1,032	762	837	632	540	14,863
N. Dak.	0	0	0	0	0	1,147
S. Dak.	63	230	268	217	290	6,275
Nebr.	380	245	377	318	66	8,008
Kans.	387	301	288	384	323	5,925
W. N. C.	3,824	3,297	3,708	3,367	2,748	73,688
Va.	236	266	301	349	258	4,594
N. C.	713	728	846	721	638	10,415
S. C.	576	583	753	651	629	7,942
Ga.	3,151	3,305	3,780	3,056	3,155	38,754
Fla.	2,978	3,004	3,691	3,585	3,415	38,220
S. A. <u>3/</u>	7,695	7,966	9,479	8,464	8,159	101,638
Ky.	197	223	260	230	395	3,640
Tenn.	919	823	653	712	609	10,242
Ala.	702	951	1,289	1,019	790	13,352
Miss.	1,340	1,299	1,294	1,138	1,217	15,542
Ark.	1,619	1,437	1,426	1,573	1,556	20,350
La.	222	266	394	314	106	3,364
Okla.	375	383	589	298	51	3,869
Texas	1,718	1,793	2,089	2,074	1,764	25,512
S. C.	7,092	7,175	7,994	7,358	6,488	95,871
Colo.	123	108	183	122	87	1,823
Utah	85	121	92	77	102	1,610
Wash.	712	798	853	832	681	9,551
Oreg.	236	392	416	256	163	3,588
Calif.	5,106	5,975	5,423	3,996	4,562	64,290
West. <u>4/</u>	6,636	7,836	7,413	5,749	6,079	86,817
U. S.	37,123	37,489	40,374	35,753	33,979	514,301

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All chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries 1968

State and division	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
			- - -	Thousands	- - -		
Maine	6,596	6,238	7,502	7,573	7,811	7,381	7,073
N. H. & Vt. 1/	718	723	914	813	887	642	613
Mass. & R. I. 2/	1,195	1,474	1,654	1,798	1,733	1,425	1,330
Conn.	1,362	1,385	1,584	1,638	1,746	1,767	1,564
Pa.	6,479	6,799	7,924	8,073	8,488	7,658	7,118
N. A. 3/	18,294	18,354	21,800	22,351	23,411	20,899	19,518
Ohio	1,510	1,890	2,085	2,525	3,130	2,590	2,230
Ind.	3,622	3,818	5,237	5,478	5,938	5,320	5,368
Ill.	1,100	1,526	2,132	3,041	2,948	2,098	1,286
Wis.	1,439	1,782	2,024	2,489	2,445	1,823	1,610
Minn.	1,750	1,765	2,979	5,275	4,554	2,565	1,908
Mo.	1,453	1,614	3,201	3,985	4,010	3,094	2,168
Nebr.	318	494	1,386	2,361	1,935	1,491	283
Kans.	366	483	942	1,224	1,186	360	320
N. C. 4/	13,695	15,591	23,585	34,190	33,725	23,679	17,497
Va.	5,546	5,280	6,465	6,463	6,522	6,430	5,894
N. C.	24,090	23,120	26,898	27,341	28,432	27,438	27,116
S. C.	1,656	2,113	2,447	2,658	2,771	2,489	2,232
Ga.	43,828	42,100	47,597	47,513	48,859	47,111	46,523
Fla.	6,125	6,366	6,756	7,196	7,859	7,171	7,209
S. A. 5/	106,739	102,862	116,074	116,822	121,472	116,650	114,795
Tenn.	3,074	3,148	3,761	3,915	4,279	3,537	3,377
Ala.	30,740	29,304	32,582	32,129	33,443	32,013	31,809
Miss.	17,887	17,091	19,309	19,414	20,134	18,783	18,621
Ark.	35,540	34,165	39,254	38,970	40,299	38,615	37,473
La.	3,937	3,734	4,543	4,223	4,401	4,142	3,518
Texas	16,182	16,515	18,310	17,599	18,424	17,410	16,276
S. C. 6/	107,924	104,856	119,189	117,881	122,403	115,399	111,920
Colo.	159	80	275	283	260	168	135
Utah	267	142	354	497	330	280	226
Wash.	2,631	2,583	3,276	3,184	2,979	2,995	2,403
Oreg.	1,458	1,446	1,645	1,757	1,916	1,828	1,378
Calif.	11,230	11,184	13,043	11,678	12,436	12,254	12,297
West. 7/	16,690	16,460	19,800	18,760	19,267	18,649	17,488
U. S.	263,342	258,123	300,448	310,004	320,278	295,276	281,218

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All chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries 1968

State and division	August	September	October	November	December	Total
			- - - Thousands - - -			
Maine	6,858	5,523	6,066	6,047	6,155	80,823
N. H. & Vt. 1/	534	494	519	523	637	8,017
Mass. & R. I. 2/	1,223	1,142	1,468	1,319	1,286	17,047
Conn.	1,302	1,010	937	982	891	16,168
Pa.	7,146	6,905	6,846	7,082	6,782	87,300
N. A. 3/	19,201	17,115	17,631	17,750	17,563	233,887
Ohio	2,035	1,650	2,160	1,500	1,200	24,505
Ind.	5,304	4,578	4,764	4,158	3,782	57,367
Ill.	1,452	1,347	1,283	1,427	1,395	21,035
Wis.	1,600	1,340	1,434	1,471	1,579	21,036
Minn.	1,709	1,623	1,750	1,681	1,606	29,165
Mo.	2,069	1,548	1,706	1,429	1,322	27,599
Nebr.	397	262	383	320	66	9,696
Kans.	393	302	289	384	323	6,572
N. C. 4/	16,852	14,670	15,828	14,177	13,063	236,552
Va.	5,958	5,176	5,414	5,829	5,529	70,506
N. C.	24,980	20,766	22,548	22,305	22,320	297,354
S. C.	2,186	1,851	2,204	2,044	2,302	26,953
Ga.	43,922	39,139	40,983	41,929	43,758	533,262
Fla.	6,840	6,391	7,376	7,266	7,221	83,776
S. A. 5/	108,342	93,989	101,003	103,942	106,066	1,308,756
Tenn.	3,449	3,237	3,330	3,543	3,581	42,231
Ala.	30,185	26,844	29,236	29,942	30,862	369,089
Miss.	18,837	16,898	17,536	17,265	17,650	219,425
Ark.	35,698	33,417	33,900	34,730	36,690	438,751
La.	3,747	3,491	3,663	3,717	3,535	46,651
Texas	15,395	14,122	15,642	16,050	15,796	197,721
S. C. 6/	108,266	98,803	104,336	105,975	108,873	1,325,825
Colo.	126	112	187	124	90	1,999
Utah	217	217	174	148	159	3,011
Wash.	2,639	2,414	2,463	2,602	2,233	32,402
Oreg.	1,437	1,334	1,490	1,351	1,245	18,285
Calif.	11,460	11,244	11,186	10,286	11,372	139,670
West. 7/	16,884	16,334	16,343	15,487	16,208	208,370
U. S.	269,545	240,911	255,141	257,331	261,773	3,313,390

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Monthly poults hatched by regions 1968

Month	Heavy						
	North Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	South Central	West	United States
	- - - Thousands - - -						
January	8	224	1,183	953	853	1,029	4,250
February	83	595	3,097	983	1,377	2,107	8,242
March	155	1,964	6,694	1,821	2,433	3,833	16,900
April	348	2,545	6,551	2,222	2,667	4,753	19,086
May	591	2,884	6,478	2,238	2,611	5,192	19,994
June	358	2,339	4,692	1,941	2,077	4,395	15,802
July	283	999	1,889	1,330	876	2,668	8,045
August	51	331	357	478	239	433	1,889
September	1	103	150	408	292	103	1,057
October	1	136	147	550	291	110	1,235
November	2	78	124	658	331	262	1,455
December	3	154	373	680	546	538	2,294
Annual	1,884	12,352	31,735	14,262	14,593	25,423	100,249

Month	Light						
	North Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	South Central	West	United States
	- - - Thousands - - -						
January	2	70	374	171	15	159	791
February	1	50	346	190	9	82	678
March	10	45	395	290	21	120	881
April	37	52	550	323	17	191	1,170
May	58	96	491	360	83	168	1,256
June	71	92	984	441	93	195	1,876
July	73	116	1,238	519	71	151	2,168
August	0	48	1,080	331	56	89	1,604
September	0	9	715	232	28	29	1,013
October	11	10	728	240	6	27	1,022
November	42	10	504	185	6	50	797
December	21	10	377	159	0	43	610
Annual	326	608	7,782	3,441	405	1,304	13,866

Month	Total All Breeds						
	North Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	South Central	West	United States
	- - - Thousands - - -						
January	10	294	1,557	1,124	868	1,188	5,041
February	84	645	3,443	1,173	1,386	2,189	8,920
March	165	2,009	7,089	2,111	2,454	3,953	17,781
April	385	2,597	7,101	2,545	2,684	4,944	20,256
May	649	2,980	6,969	2,598	2,694	5,360	21,250
June	429	2,431	5,676	2,382	2,170	4,590	17,678
July	356	1,115	3,127	1,849	947	2,819	10,213
August	51	379	1,437	809	295	522	3,493
September	1	112	865	640	320	132	2,070
October	12	146	875	790	297	137	2,257
November	44	88	628	843	337	312	2,252
December	24	164	750	839	546	581	2,904
Annual	2,210	12,960	39,517	17,703	14,998	26,727	114,115

Number of hatcheries and egg capacity by size groups
United States, reported January 1, 1967 and 1969

Size groups number of eggs	Chick Hatcheries							
	Hatcheries				Egg-Capacity			
	1967		1969		1967		1969	
	Number	% of	Number	% of	Number	% of	Number	% of
	: total	: total	: total	: total	: total	: total	: total	: total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under 25,000	82	4.2	83	5.6	1,262	0.3	1,666	0.4
25,000 to 59,999	439	22.7	253	17.0	16,604	3.5	10,092	2.2
60,000 to 99,999	405	21.0	264	17.8	31,171	6.7	20,535	4.5
100,000 to 199,999	390	20.2	290	19.5	56,481	12.1	42,851	9.5
200,000 to 499,999	347	18.0	322	21.7	109,861	23.4	103,160	22.7
500,000 and over	269	13.9	274	18.4	252,764	54.0	275,365	60.7
All Hatcheries	1,932	100.0	1,486	100.0	468,143	100.0	453,699	100.0

Size groups Number of eggs	Turkey Hatcheries							
	Hatcheries				Egg-Capacity			
	1967		1969		1967		1969	
	Number	% of	Number	% of	Number	% of	Number	% of
	: total	: total	: total	: total	: total	: total	: total	: total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under 25,000	51	12.5	52	17.2	696	1.2	713	1.3
25,000 to 59,999	115	28.3	51	16.8	3,858	6.8	1,913	3.6
60,000 to 99,999 ^{1/}	68	16.7	42	13.8	5,653	9.9	3,532	6.6
100,000 to 199,999	76	18.7	66	21.8	10,853	19.0	11,198	20.8
200,000 to 499,999	81	19.9	70	23.1	24,479	43.0	22,476	41.8
500,000 and over	16	3.9	22	7.3	11,444	20.1	13,931	25.9
All Hatcheries	407	100.0	303	100.0	56,983	100.0	53,763	100.0

^{1/} Hatcheries in the North Atlantic with 100,000 or more capacity included in 60,000 to 99,999 in group to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Number of chicken hatcheries and incubator egg capacity by size groups,
regions and United States, January 1, 1967 and 1969

Size groups Number of eggs	North Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	South Central	West <u>1/</u>	United States
NUMBER OF HATCHERIES JANUARY 1, 1967							
Under 25,000	20	23	6	9	10	14	82
25,000 - 59,999	61	81	181	14	72	30	439
60,000 - 99,999	35	93	185	28	45	19	405
100,000 - 199,999	49	75	94	70	67	35	390
200,000 - 499,999	36	36	43	103	88	41	347
500,000 and over	19	17	8	107	103	15	269
Total	220	325	517	331	385	154	1,932
NUMBER OF HATCHERIES JANUARY 1, 1969							
Under 25,000	38	13	11	6	7	8	83
25,000 - 59,999	19	56	111	13	35	19	253
60,000 - 99,999	17	60	125	17	32	13	264
100,000 - 199,999	35	47	76	51	50	31	290
200,000 - 499,999	34	44	40	84	86	34	322
500,000 and over	18	9	8	113	109	17	274
Total	161	229	371	284	319	122	1,486
INCUBATOR EGG CAPACITY JANUARY 1, 1967 (000)							
Under 25,000	324	370	100	138	138	192	1,262
25,000 - 59,999	1,870	3,231	7,476	537	2,370	1,120	16,604
60,000 - 99,999	2,376	7,059	14,456	2,257	3,446	1,577	31,171
100,000 - 199,999	7,053	10,524	13,116	10,634	10,016	5,138	56,481
200,000 - 499,999	11,682	10,972	12,405	34,465	28,271	12,066	109,861
500,000 and over	19,437	10,416	7,547	98,154	104,327	12,883	252,764
Total	42,742	42,572	55,100	146,185	148,568	32,976	468,143
INCUBATOR EGG CAPACITY JANUARY 1, 1969 (000)							
Under 25,000	940	228	180	104	88	126	1,666
25,000 - 59,999	689	2,256	4,631	522	1,264	730	10,092
60,000 - 99,999	1,323	4,570	9,673	1,411	2,493	1,065	20,535
100,000 - 199,999	5,019	6,672	10,770	7,732	7,890	4,768	42,851
200,000 - 499,999	10,707	13,132	11,610	28,981	28,075	10,655	103,160
500,000 and over	19,007	6,818	7,349	114,508	112,807	14,876	275,365
Total	37,685	33,676	44,213	153,258	152,617	32,220	453,669

1/ Includes Hawaii.

Number of turkey hatcheries and incubator egg capacity by size groups,
regions and United States January 1, 1967 and 1969 1/

Size groups	North	North	South	South	United
Number of eggs	Atlantic	Central	Atlantic	Central and West	States
		3/		3/	
NUMBER OF HATCHERIES JANUARY 1, 1967					
Under 25,000	13	12	6	20	51
25,000 - 59,999	28	49	4	34	115
60,000 - 99,999	<u>2/</u> 14	19	13	22	<u>2/</u> 68
100,000 - 199,999	-	41	6	29	76
200,000 and over	-	45	14	38	97
Total	55	166	43	143	407
NUMBER OF HATCHERIES JANUARY 1, 1969					
Under 25,000	21	6	5	20	52
25,000 - 59,999	8	24	1	18	51
60,000 - 99,999	<u>2/</u> 11	10	10	11	<u>2/</u> 42
100,000 - 199,999	-	26	7	33	66
200,000 and over	-	39	16	37	92
Total	40	105	39	119	303
INCUBATOR EGG CAPACITY JANUARY 1, 1967 (000)					
Under 25,000	148	162	100	286	696
25,000 - 59,999	648	1,719	187	1,304	3,858
60,000 - 99,999	<u>2/</u> 1,379	1,559	1,018	1,697	<u>2/</u> 5,653
100,000 - 199,999	-	6,222	816	3,815	10,853
200,000 and over	-	16,270	5,100	14,553	35,923
Total	2,175	25,932	7,221	21,655	56,983
INCUBATOR EGG CAPACITY JANUARY 1, 1969 (000)					
Under 25,000	313	56	80	264	713
25,000 - 59,999	249	890	45	729	1,913
60,000 - 99,999	<u>2/</u> 1,222	804	755	751	<u>2/</u> 3,532
100,000 - 199,999	-	4,060	889	6,249	11,198
200,000 and over	-	15,933	6,100	14,374	36,407
Total	1,784	21,743	7,869	22,367	53,763

1/ Does not include Alaska and Hawaii.

2/ Hatcheries in the North Atlantic with 100,000 or more capacity included to avoid disclosing individual operations.

3/ Regions combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Number of hatcheries, egg capacity by States - reported January 1967 and 1969

State	Number of hatcheries				Egg capacity			
	Chickens		Turkeys		Chickens		Turkeys	
	1967	1969	1967	1969	1967	1969	1967	1969
	T h o u s a n d s							
Maine	12	12	1/	0	8,011	8,957	1/	0
N. H.	1/	4	1/	3	1/	2,293	1/	76
Vt.	1/	1/	1/	0	1/	1/	1/	0
Mass.	17	15	1/	6	2,490	2,501	1/	146
R. I.	3	3	1/	1/	468	382	1/	1/
Conn.	11	9	1/	1/	4,658	3,264	1/	1/
N. Y.	53	42	12	9	6,335	5,709	312	250
N. J.	23	13	4	4	4,161	2,430	148	208
Pa.	96	61	27	16	15,023	12,094	1,289	1,014
Ohio	73	47	20	13	7,943	6,305	2,825	2,077
Ind.	85	60	7	3	14,550	11,523	666	365
Ill.	78	63	10	4	11,321	8,941	1,003	640
Mich.	33	17	1/	1/	3,030	2,005	1/	1/
Wis.	56	42	10	8	5,728	4,902	1,348	1,119
Minn.	118	87	33	24	16,048	13,248	6,926	6,965
Iowa	143	89	31	18	14,560	10,773	4,597	3,324
Mo.	60	49	27	14	8,829	7,883	4,717	4,059
N. Dak.	12	10	1/	0	1,019	879	1/	0
S. Dak.	57	44	1/	1/	4,567	3,867	1/	1/
Nebr.	75	53	10	7	6,432	4,995	783	517
Kans.	52	39	9	7	3,645	2,568	1,242	1,043
Del.	13	12	0	0	10,365	10,579	0	0
Md.	20	20	4	4	21,432	21,116	145	144
Va.	26	17	9	7	8,422	7,852	2,959	2,750
W. Va.	5	4	3	1/	911	515	277	1/
N. C.	75	63	12	14	31,220	32,488	2,210	2,974
S. C.	22	21	4	4	3,700	4,282	433	621
Ga.	139	116	7	5	61,260	65,439	1,087	1,072
Fla.	31	31	4	1/	8,875	10,987	110	1/
Ky.	19	10	1/	1/	1,759	1,127	1/	1/
Tenn.	35	28	0	0	6,847	7,644	0	0
Ala.	83	81	6	6	40,050	40,192	1/	1,296
Miss.	33	34	1/	1/	22,923	23,729	1/	1/
Ark.	60	58	7	5	43,213	47,318	1,331	1,803
La.	13	12	0	0	4,592	4,965	0	0
Okla.	21	13	11	5	3,010	2,566	1,314	907
Texas	121	83	32	32	26,174	25,076	3,236	4,093
Mont.	5	5	0	0	637	637	0	0
Idaho	12	11	1/	0	1,322	1,210	1/	0
Wyo.	1/	1/	0	0	1/	1/	0	0
Colo.	6	6	5	4	1,020	811	967	1,184
N. Mex.	1/	0	0	0	1/	0	0	0
Ariz.	1/	4	1/	1/	1/	709	1/	1/
Utah	9	7	8	6	1,015	911	1,212	1,127
Nev.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wash.	23	20	6	6	4,354	4,433	207	226
Oreg.	21	13	17	10	3,342	3,444	1,740	1,515
Calif.	67	53	45	40	20,101	19,888	9,823	9,061
Hawaii	6	1/	---	---	502	1/	---	---
U. S.	1,932	1,486	407	303	468,143	453,669	56,983	53,763

1/ Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Number of hatcheries and egg capacity, January 1, 1969

The number of chick hatcheries operating in the United States on January 1, 1969 was 1,486 compared with 1,932 on January 1, 1967 and 2,365 on January 1, 1965. Current egg capacity of these hatcheries was 453,669,000 compared with 468,143,000 two years earlier.

The number of chick hatcheries decreased in all regions during the past two years. Egg capacities were down in all regions except the South Atlantic and South Central regions which were up 5 and 3 percent respectively. Hatcheries with egg capacity of 500,000 and over increased in both number and capacity from 1967 to 1969. This group accounted for 61 percent of the total egg capacity on January 1, 1969, up from 54 percent on January 1, 1967.

The trend of fewer and larger turkey hatcheries continues. On January 1, 1969 there were 303 hatcheries operating--26 percent fewer than two years earlier. During this period egg capacity declined from 56,983,000 to 53,763,000. Hatcheries with capacities of 500,000 and over increased in both number and egg capacity between 1967 and 1969. Turkey hatcheries having capacities of 100,000 to 499,999 eggs declined in both number and capacity since January 1, 1967.

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